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In re Application of:)
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Application No.: 09/725,048)
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For: PROCESS FOR ACQUIRING)
SCANNED IMAGE DATA)
RELATING TO AN EXTERNAL)
BODY PORTION AND/OR A)
PRODUCT APPLIED THERETO)

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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(c)

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56 and 1.97(c), Applicants bring to the attention of the Examiner the attached documents. This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed after the events recited in Section 1.97(b) but, to the undersigned's knowledge, before the mailing date of either a final action, Quayle action, or a Notice of Allowance. Under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(c), this Information Disclosure Statement is accompanied by a fee payment of \$180.00 as specified by Section 1.17(p).

The attached documents include a copy of a Notice of Rejection from a Japanese patent application which is believed to be a counterpart of the present application. Also enclosed is a copy of an English language translation of the Notice. The Notice of

Rejection cites documents previously submitted in the Information Disclosure Statement filed January 13, 2004.

This submission does not represent that a search has been made or that no better art exists and does not constitute an admission that each or all of the attached documents are material.

Applicants further reserve the right to take appropriate action to establish the patentability of the disclosed invention over any information in the attached documents, should any information mentioned in the documents be applied against the claims of the present application.


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Respectfully submitted,

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